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DE RESERVATION OF SC/ST VACANCIE
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Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether posts/vacancies reserved for SCs/STs and OBCs have been de-reserved and filled by non-reserved category personnel in his Ministry and its subordinate offices since 1989;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the steps taken to stop such de-reservation of posts meant for SCs, STs and OBCs ?

Answer

Minister of State in the Ministry of Finance (Shri Gingee N. Ramachandran)

(a)to(c):There is a ban on de-reservation of vacancies reserved for Scheduled Castes, Scheduled Tribes and OBCs in case of direct recruitment. In rare and exceptional cases, reserved vacancies for Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes in direct recruitment in Group `A` services can be de-reserved after following a rigorous procedure as prescribed in the relevant guidelines of the DOP&T. In case of promotion, reserved vacancies for SCs/STs can be de-reserved when sufficient number of SC/ST candidates fit for appointment against reserved vacancies are not available. After introduction of post-based reservation, reservation does not lapse due to such de-reservation inasmuch as in subsequent recruitment(s), reservation quota for SCs/STs is completed as per post-based reservation roster. The exact details as to de-reservation, if any, in case of various offices under the Ministry of Finance are not centrally maintained.